

Hopkinton Open Space Committee
Wednesday, April 8, 2015 7:15 p.m.

LOCAL HISTORY ROOM Hopkinton Town Library

Draft Minutes

Administration

- In attendance: Lucia Kittredge, Sara Persechino, Ron Klemarczyk, Rob Knight, Esther Cowles, guest Bowman Ridinger
- Upcoming meeting dates: May 13, June 10, July 8, August 12, September 9, October 14, November 4, December 9, 2015 (all at Local History Room at Hopkinton Town Library)

250th Greenway Walk

- Time: June 13th, 9 am start, plan for 1 hour short loop, 2 hours long loop; **Ron** will test/confirm these durations
- Publicity: will publicize on anniversary committee website Hopkinton250.com, Facebook page, Twitter, Susan Covert, Susan Doucette as rep for Concord Monitor/Town Crier, Community Calendar; **Sara** will handle this for us
- Station descriptions on trail: see copy, **Esther** to review, others to edit as available
- Map update: **Lucia** to ask Dean Williams at Central NH RPC, add station numbers and extension
- Signs at stations: want interpretive signs/descriptions for people who do self-guided hikes, designed to last until the end of the fall, laminated signs stapled (not thru the paper) to plywood and nailed to trees, install signs a day or two before the walk, **Ron** is going to request funding for signs from the Conservation Commission, **Ron** will work with **Bowman** on making and installing the signs
- Trail brochures/map: **Sara** will ask 250th Committee to pay for them to be printed/copied; one side is map, other side is abbreviated description of stations, add graphics of Greenway Sign and 250th logo; extra copies available after June 13, at town hall, the Train Depot (to be town welcome center this summer), install brochure holder at Kimball Pond kiosk, online with lengthier station descriptions; Sara will check if Rec Comm or Kimball Pond Comm will take responsibility for keeping holder stocked with brochures, minimum of 250; **Rob** is going to research a source for plastic holders for brochures; **Lucia and Sara** will work on new brochure; **Sara** will get quote
- Trail maintenance: **Rob** will lead this effort, **Bowman** will help
- Characters/actors: not a lot of energy within committee for playing parts, suggest reaching out to the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum; **Lucia** to talk to Heather Mitchell of Hopkinton Historical Society for interest or advice; **Lucia** to reach out to Tom Burack; **Sara** will ask Matt Persechino to mend stonewalls along trail and discuss; **Esther** to ask Gordon or Steve Thomas to talk about Old Parsonage and Reverend Scales
- Walks: allow folks to do self-guided, also offer guided hike with **Ron** to start at 9:15 am; **Ron** will get/install sawhorses with pink signs at main trail intersections

- Refreshments: have station near Parsonage/Luneau field with water and old fashioned cookies, ask Putney Hill neighbors if they would host refreshments table; **Lucia** will talk to Ed Fairfield, Dave Luneau, Brenda Quinn, Simpkins

Old Projects

- Contoocook River lot
 - Landowner is interested in more money than assessed value. He will likely put on market this spring to test interest at upper level.

New Business

- 120 Acre lot in southern part of town
 - Committee agreed to discuss with Cons Comm.

Updates

- Saving Special Places conference: Rob is going, Lucia may go

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.